

Topic Packs overview: Beginner

Learning English

Personal ID

Personal information

1. Can say, spell and write name and address
Can fill in a simple form

Daily routine and time

2. Can read and tell time using hours, minutes, seconds
Can relate actions or daily routines to clock times

Dates

3. Can understand and write dates relating to own personal information

Personal information

4. Can respond to further personal information questions

My family

1. Can identify and talk simply about family members
2. Can describe self and family
3. Can talk about things self and family can or can't do

Money

Shopping

Prices

1. Can identify dollars and cents in prices

Types of shops

2. Can identify different types of shops

Bills

1. Can identify different types of bills
Can locate relevant information from a bill

Education

Schooling

Types of schools

1. Can identify the different educational institutions: kindergarten, primary school, secondary school, university

Classroom items

2. Can identify things for the classroom

School notices

3. Can read a short note relating to school

Absence note

4. Can write a short note
Can leave a short telephone message

Forms

5. Can complete a simple application form

Health

Going to the doctor

Parts of the body

1. Can name parts of the body

Symptoms

2. Can describe basic symptoms
Can understand doctor's instructions

Making a doctor's appointment

3. Can make an appointment

At the chemist

1. Can shop at the chemist

Emergency services

1. Can call the emergency number

Housing

Types of housing

1. Can identify and name types of housing
2. Can give a short description of their home

Rooms in a house

Rooms in a house

1. Can identify and name rooms in a house

Daily activities

2. Can identify and match daily activities to specific rooms

Floor plans

3. Can demonstrate understanding of simple plans

Household furniture

4. Can identify some household objects

Renting

1. Can read newspaper advertisements about rental properties

A new life

Australia

Australia's states, territories and capital cities

1. Can identify the states and territories
Can identify the capital cities

Australia's people

2. Can demonstrate awareness of the diversity of Australia's people

Australia's landmarks

3. Can recognise some Australian landmarks

Australia's animals and birds

4. Can identify some Australian animals and birds

The weekend

5. Can talk about the weekend

Making contact

Accepting an invitation

1. Can talk about the different customs of inviting and accepting invitations

Transport

Types of transport

Types of transport

1. Can recognise and name types of transport

Public transport

2. Can understand timetables
3. Can ask for assistance

Work

Jobs

Types of jobs

1. Can name and identify different jobs
2. Can demonstrate understanding of a short story relating to jobs

Work experience

3. Can talk about their work experience

Work skills

4. Can name and identify job skills

Looking for work

1. Can complete personal information on a form

Environment

Weather

Weather

1. Can understand and talk about the weather

Seasons

2. Can identify the seasons in Australia
Can talk about seasons in the home country

Helping the environment

1. Can understand how to help the environment

Leisure

Leisure activities

Leisure activities

1. Can identify leisure activities
Can talk about their leisure activities

Sports activities

2. Can identify some sport activities

Law

The police

The Australian police

1. Can understand about the Australian police

Driving

Driving rules

1. Can understand some basic rules about driving

Road signs

2. Can recognise some common road signs

Fines

3. Can understand the concept of a fine